



Chatter



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OUR 876th MEETING:

Time: Wednesday, January 8, 7:30 p.m.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 West Randolph, Chicago

Speaker: Drew Michyeta on "The Concept of a Collection"

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GUEST EDITORIAL: CCC HELPS JUNIOR MEMBER GET INTO STANFORD

Roy and Priscilla Grundy, after a little prodding, have kindly submitted the following.

"In the Fall of 1987, Stanford University had narrowed its 18,000 freshman class applications down to 2,000--one of which was Bill Grundy, CCC member 916. His family believes that one reason he made the cut was the learning experiences he gained from his junior membership in CCC. Writing articles on Roman mintage for publication, developing award-winning case displays, and summer scholarships all increased his self-confidence. Bill gained a unique perspective on a hobby few if any applicants to Stanford could list and write about on their applications.

"After Bill was accepted at Stanford various knowledgeable people who had sons, daughters, or relatives who had wanted to get into Stanford but did not, asked us, 'OK, how did he do it? We know he had great school grades--so did our kid. What was his "gimmick?" What did he put down that was different and impressive? Our answer: his development through CCC of an interest, discipline, and avid understanding of the world of numismatics.

"Thank you one and all for helping Bill grow in such a supportive environment and especially to his mentor and continuing friend--Carl Wolf."

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MINUTES OF 875TH MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

Twenty-nine people partook of delicious hors d'oeuvres and a delicious dinner at the annual banquet, held at the Bismarck Hotel on December 11, 1991. Speaker was Dave Simpson, who showed slides of Scottish gold coins. Despite this, he was presented with the club's speaker medal for his efforts.

In the absence of President Robert Leonard, Drew Michyeta presented the Cabeen exhibitor awards for the year. The top award went to Robert Leonard. The second place award went to Harry Flower. Honorable mention awards went to Charles Ricard, Tom Nolan, John Wilson, and Nancy Wilson. This is out of 18 members who exhibited in 1991.

Robert Leonard also received a club literary award. In addition, speakers from previous months were presented with ANA certificates of appreciation. Meeting adjourned at 9:00.

Peter Jorstad,
Secretary/Treasurer

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED:

2	Tillie Boosel	pre-1960	22	Nilton Garcia	1986
11	Steven Greenberg	1991	25	Walter Pershke	1968
21	William Boss	1969	27	August Jackson	1990

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PODERSKI HONORED

Long time CCC member Chester Poderski (CCC # 664) has recently been awarded the Ed Allen Award by the Calumet Numismatic Club--the oldest coin club in Indiana. The rarely presented award was for his long services and efforts on behalf of the club.

DUES NOTICE

Dues for 1992 (\$10 for most of us) are now due. If you have not done so, please mail your check, or pay Treasurer Pete Jorstad in person at the next meeting. Thanks!

EVELYN HAUSSKE

We are saddened to report the November 13 death of Evelyn Hausske, wife of the late August Hausske. Carl Wolf reports that Mr. Hausske was a long-time CCC member and past officer.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED:

7	James Budd	1964
7	Bruno Rzepka	1968
11	George Lill III	1982
14	Donald Srbeny	1987
16	Michael Brodsky	1991
16	Joseph Tomasko	1984
19	Charles Ricard	1963
20	Sidney Bick	pre-1960
23	Eileen Peterson	1982
25	David Silberman Jr.	1971
29	Arthur Allen	1966
29	Nancy Wilson	1984
31	Andrew Michyeta III	1984

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

February: Mark Wieclaw on 35 mm coin photography
 March: Kevin Foley: "Behind the Scenes at CICF"
 April: Richard Hamilton on American Bank Note Co.
 May: TBA
 June: Steve Zitowski on cigarette cards and tokens
 July: Members describe other hobbies
 August: TBA
 September: Mr. Donolyn on engraving dies
 October: Byron Jones on the U.S. coin market
 November: auction
 December: awards banquet

Programs are subject to change. If you have any suggestions for programs, see Drew Michyeta.

MARCH MEETING AT CICF

Please note that the CCC will not meet on its regular night in March, but will meet at the Chicago International Coin Fair on March 21. More details in the next Chatter.



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February 1992

David Simpson, Editor

OUR 877th MEETING:

Time: **Wednesday, February 12, 7:30 p.m.**

Place: **Bismarck Hotel, 171 West Randolph, Chicago**

Speaker: **Mark Wieclaw on "35mm Coin Photography"**

Bring your Lincoln exhibits to celebrate his birthday!

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Many of us remember the club's 800th meeting celebration, held some seven years ago. It was a big deal, with a formal banquet, distinguished guests, momentos, etc. After all, how often does a coin club reach 800 meetings?

Well, we have now had 876 meetings, and I think it is time to think about our next big shindig. When should we have it? In my opinion, the obvious choice is the 900th meeting--January 1994. The 900th has the added advantage of being the 75th anniversary (900 divided by 12 equals 75).

If we are interested in doing something for the 900th meeting, we had better get moving--there is less than two years, and these things take planning! What do you think?

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INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CCC?

Yes, of course it's too late for you. But it's not too late for other collector friends! You will find a one-page description of the CCC with this **Chatter**. You are encouraged to take it to the CICF and give it to someone who might be interested. The March meeting at the CICF is a good opportunity for people to see the CCC in action.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED:

1	Charles Ryant, Jr.	pre-1960
4	Irene Garcia	1986
8	Joseph O'Connor	1981
11	Phillip Davis	1989
13	Keith Weddell	1983
15	Robert Leonard, Jr.	1983
16	Rolf Knauz	1978
27	Don Valenziano, Jr.	1982
30	Tom Nolan	pre-1960

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March: Kevin Foley: "Behind the Scenes at CICF"
 April: Richard Hamilton on The American Bank Note Co.
 May: TBA
 June: Steven Zitowsky on cigarette cards and tokens
 July: Members describe other hobbies
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MARCH MEETING AT CICF

Please note that the CCC will not meet on its regular night in March, but will meet at the Chicago International Coin Fair on March 21 at 1:00. The show takes place at the Hyatt Regency Chicago, on Wacker east of Michigan Avenue. To save time there will be no exhibits. Please save your CICF purchases to exhibit at the next CCC meeting. This will give you some time to research them.

EXHIBIT TOTAL REACHES NINE

At the February meeting, nine members exhibited--the most in some time. This is a very positive trend, and hopefully we will continue to have good participation. However, since some members have to catch trains or otherwise want to leave at a certain time, President Leonard is requesting members keep down the length of each exhibit. By doing so, more people will get to hear all the exhibitors.

AXE MONEY DESCRIBED



For the sixth consecutive year, the Chicago Coin Club will distribute a complimentary numismatic souvenir at the CICF. Everyone, member and non-member, attending the club meeting at the CICF will receive an example of axe money, good for \$5 in trade. It can be kept as a souvenir, used toward the purchase of club medals or books, or towards membership dues.

These unique pieces are shaped like miniature axe heads and are made of copper. Measuring about 2- x 2 1/2-in, they are reminiscent of the copper axes used in trade by the Mayan Indians at the time of Columbus's voyages to America. In the tradition of promoting numismatic education, each piece of axe money is accompanied by a printed copy of "Native American Copper Axe Money," a history of this unusual numismatic subject. It was written for this project by club member Robert D. Leonard.

Production has been limited to 250 pieces and each educational card is consecutively numbered. Following the complimentary distribution at the meeting, the remaining pieces will be sold for \$5, or \$6 by mail.

This souvenir has become a popular tradition at the CICF. In previous years, the club issued other primitive money pieces and published their respective histories. Leather money, plate money, and stone money were all received by those attending past meetings. All are now sold out.



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March 1992

David Simpson, Editor

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OUR 878th MEETING:

Time: Saturday, March 21, 1:00 p.m.

Place: Hyatt Regency Chicago, 151 East Wacker Drive

Speaker: Kevin Foley, "Behind the Scenes at CICF"

(Free Axe Money Give Away)

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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

At the February meeting a committee was formed to come up with some ways to celebrate the club's 75th anniversary in January 1994. The committee consists of Carl Wolf as chair, Harry Flower, Richard Hamilton (who volunteered after the meeting), and me.

The committee needs to know what you think. Should this be a big event, with banquet, book, struck medal, etc.? Should we update the club's history from the Perspectives In Numismatics book? Should we publish a club bulletin with members' names, by-laws, etc.? Should we invite outsiders, such as ANA officials, to participate? Should we expect to lose money, or try to at least break even? How can we incorporate some educational aspect to the anniversary, in keeping with the club's motto, "We learn by teaching?"

Your comments are essential in helping the committee decide which of many directions to take. Please talk to any of the committee members, or write them with your opinions. Also, you may want to consider writing something on the subject for the **Chatter**--I'll be happy to print it.

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MINUTES OF 877TH MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

Meeting called to order in the Bismarck Hotel at 7:37, February 12, 1992. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed in the **Chatter**. There was no treasurer's report. Guest Ronald Martino and Mark Wieclaw were introduced. Mr. Martino's membership application was given first reading.

Mark Wieclaw spoke on coin photography. His practical instructions were accompanied by displays of photographic equipment, and actual slides he had taken. The presentation elicited a number of questions. Drew Michyeta presented Mr. Wieclaw with an engraved speakers medal.

Bob Leonard reported selling two club books for a total of \$19, which he gave to the secretary/treasurer. There are an estimated 160 books left, including about 20 hard cover.

Drew Michyeta reported on programs. Carl Wolf (Give-Away Committee) says the axe money is within budget and on schedule. The axe money history is also progressing, reports Bob Leonard.

In old business, Drew Michyeta reported the transportation token dies had been annealed, and a cancellation ceremony, with John and Nancy Wilson in attendance, will be scheduled.

In new business, a 75th Anniversary Committee was established, to develop a suitable commemoration of the club's January 1994 anniversary. Members are Carl Wolf (chair), David Simpson, and Harry Flower.

Exhibitors were Harry Flower (medal featuring the Solvay Physics Council of 1911), David Simpson (Scottish demy of James I), Tom Nolan (uniface half dimes and China 1912 dollar coin), Steven Zitowsky (numismatic books and cash sword), Richard Hamilton (five mining stock certificates), Mark Wieclaw (antoninianus of Claudius II 268-270 A.D.), Drew Michyeta (1991 British Royal Mint medal), Joel Reznick (Lincoln medal), and Chet Poderski (Ripstra Lincoln medal).

Meeting adjourned at 9:50.

Respectfully submitted by
David Simpson
acting for Pete Jorstad
Secretary/Treasurer

DINNER

At least two groups of members meet for dinner in downtown Chicago prior to most CCC meetings. If you would like a sociable repast prior to the meeting, you are encouraged to talk to Drew Michyeta or Harry Flower about joining their groups for dinner.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS (FINALLY) ENCLOSED

After a long delay, your membership card is enclosed (assuming our records show that you have paid your 1992 dues). The officers apologize for the delay, which was primarily caused by the previous secretary/treasurer's heavy work load. Hopefully we will be able to get your 1993 membership card to you much more rapidly.

After getting the records organized, the new secretary/treasurer has found that there are still several people who have not yet paid their 1992 dues. If you are one of these, please do so within the next week or you will be dropped from the membership list. We would like to keep you as a member, so please send your check today.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED

2	William Swoger	Since 1984
7	Robert L. Hendershott	Since 1989
7	William Holm	Since Before 1960
17	Harry X Boosel	Since Before 1940
19	Carl F. Wolf	Since 1979
20	Melvyn Frear	Since 1989
23	Thomas Michell	Since 1981
26	Tom DeLorey	Since 1984
26	Donald Doswell	Since 1960
31	Clarence R. Wills	Since Before 1960

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

AUGUST: Robert Weinstein, Jr., on early European dated coinage

SEPTEMBER: Byron Jones on the U. S. coin market

OCTOBER: Harry Flower on Maria Theresa Thalers

NOVEMBER: Auction

DECEMBER: Awards banquet



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April 1992

OUR 879TH MEETING:

Time: Wednesday, April 8, 7:30 p.m.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph, Chicago

Speaker: Richard Hamilton on the American Bank Note Company

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Once again the CCC had a well attended (61 numismatists) meeting at the Chicago International Coin Fair. Certainly one draw was the "Genuine Axe Money," a unique souvenir, patterned after the Mayan money in use at the time of Columbus' voyages of discovery. Another draw was Kevin Foley, talking about his experiences managing the CICF.

The meeting also had some surprises. Both Robert Leonard and Marcella Sheldon received well-deserved CCC Medals of Merit--the first awarded in several years. Carl Wolf, in presenting the awards, particularly recognized Bob for his efforts in selling the club's book. Marcella, a long time member, was especially recognized for her help with the club book, as well as her recent active CCC participation when visiting Chicago. Marcella, who lives outside the Chicago area, was not present to receive the award in person.

Harry Flower was presented with Krause Publications' Numismatic Ambassador Award, joining a distinguished company including several current CCC members: Robert Hendershott, Carl Wolf, Charles Ricard, Harry X Boosel, Oscar Dodson, William Pettit, Nancy Wilson, and John Wilson. Harry richly deserves the honor. Congratulations, all three award recipients!

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MINUTES OF THE 878TH MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

Meeting called to order by President Robert Leonard at 1:00 on March 21. Meeting was held at the Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel, in conjunction with the Chicago International Coin Fair. Attendance was 61 with 27 guests. Guests were William Bauer, Janet Leonard, S. Bommakanti, Patrick Long, Ed Rochette, Fidencio Paredes, Ralph Haun, R. Jeannene Peters, Richard Geidroye, Dorothy Lanek, John Wright, Mabel Ann Wright, Frank Wilkinson, Michael Metras, R. J. Gross, Lester L. Miller, Carl Marcoff, John Barke, R. J. Blooks, Milan Alusic, Louis Strbac, Arlyn Sieber, Kevin Foley, Clifford Mishler, Albert "Bo" Smith, Frank DeMuynck, and E. Watmaugh.

The speaker was Kevin Foley, describing "Behind the Scenes at the CICF." He fielded a number of questions about the show's inner workings. Upon conclusion of Kevin's talk, Drew Michyeta gave him a CCC speaker's medal.

Drew Michyeta listed programs for upcoming meetings. Cliff Mishler of Krause Publications then presented a surprised Harry Flower with Krause's Numismatic Ambassador award. Carl Wolf, a member of the Medal of Merit selection committee, announced that Robert Leonard and Marcella Sheldon had been chosen as recipients of the CCC's highest honor. Bob, also surprised, was presented his award; Marcella was not present.

All attendees were given a free axe money souvenir. Following the first reading of Michael Metras' membership application, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00.

Respectfully submitted,

David Simpson for
Pete Jorstad, Secretary/Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

For those of you who have paid your 1992 dues (and that should be almost everyone receiving this newsletter), membership cards will be sent shortly. The delay has been caused by busy work schedules.

LETTERS, WE GET LETTERS!

Along with membership renewals we have received several notes. **Michael Dolnick** in Maryland reports he joined the CCC in 1952. He hopes to be able to attend the August meeting. **Bill Grundy** reports it is great to get the *Chatter* in southern Africa, and says to look for him in 1994. **Marcella Sheldon** reports she joined the CCC in 1946, which was the year she married M. Vernon Sheldon. She says she has enjoyed the association with the club through the years. **Stanley Kruswicki** reports joining CCC in 1952 or 1953. **Matthew F.**

Wojtaszek says he joined CCC in 1948, and has actually kept his membership cards back at least to 1952! He retired from 44 years at the Post Office in December 1989. Leah Klein suggested we have dues statements printed and sent to members, as used to be done.

ROBERT MORRIS

Those of you who attended the August 1991 CCC meeting at the ANA Convention will remember Dr. Robert Morris, who presented a short program on South African gold counterfeits. According to *World Coin News*, Dr. Morris passed away recently. He was the founder of the Transvaal Numismatic Society and chairman of the Association of South African Numismatic Associations.

MAY BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED

2	Donn Pearlman	since 1979
3	Roy Grundy	since 1981
8	Stanley Kruswicki	since 1952
10	Martin Vink	prior to 1960
15	Jay Galst	since 1991
17	Shirley Valenziano	since 1984
23	Robert Weinstein, Jr.	since 1991
25	John G. Ross	prior to 1960

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

APRIL: Richard Hamilton on The American Bank Note Company

MAY: TBA

JUNE: Steven Zitowsky on cigarette cards and tokens

JULY: Members describe their other hobbies

AUGUST: TBA

SEPTEMBER: Byron Jones on the U. S. coin market

OCTOBER: TBA

NOVEMBER: Auction

DECEMBER: Awards banquet



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May 1992

OUR 880TH MEETING:

Time: Wednesday, May 13, 7:30 p.m.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph, Chicago

Speakers: John Wilson and Nancy Wilson

Topic: The 100th Anniversary ANA Convention (with Slides)

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

Due to a heavy work load at his job, Pete Jorstad has had to resign as secretary/treasurer. He valiantly held the position for over two years, and worked hard to make sure the club's financial records, in particular, are in good shape. It's a thankless job (I know, I have been secretary too), but somebody has to do it.

At press time, that special somebody had not been selected, although the decision should be made shortly. Ideally, we need an avid numismatist who is a CPA like Pete, a professional writer like me, and who has an excess of free time. Since such a combination probably doesn't exist, however, I would suggest we warmly welcome whoever is brave enough to step forward.

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MINUTES OF THE 879TH MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

Meeting was called to order by President Robert D. Leonard at 7:30 p.m. with 17 members and no guests present. Minutes of the previous meeting held in conjunction with the CICF in Chicago were published in the Chatter. Upon a motion by Richard Hamilton with Carl Wolf seconding, the minutes were approved as printed.

Drew Michyeta introduced the speaker for the evening, Richard Hamilton, who spoke on the topic "American Bank Note Company." Richard distributed a hand-out of the historical evolution of the American Bank Note Company. The company was founded in 1858 but traces its roots to 1795 and Robert Scott. Richard described the art work, engraving techniques, and equipment used in producing bank notes, bonds, stock certificates, and even foreign currency. He also described the competitive bank note companies of the time. In 1877 the Bureau of Printing and Engraving was formed, which assumed the printing of U.S. currency. Travelers checks, passports, and other documents are also printed/engraved by the American Bank Note Company. It makes special inks and paper to help thwart counterfeiting. Presently the company makes holograms produced by a special division. The company is also producing vignettes for collectors. The American Bank Note Company is now a subsidiary of the U. S. Bank Note Corporation. Richard was given a rousing "thank you" by the members present, and was awarded the club's speakers medal for his fine presentation.

President Leonard reported on the CICF meeting and stated more of the club's books Perspectives in Numismatics were sold at the meeting. At this meeting a special award--the Numismatic Ambassador Award--was presented to Harry Flower by Krause Publications, and the CCC Medal of Merit went to Marcella Sheldon and Robert Leonard for service to the CCC. At this time the members applauded their achievements. Carl Wolf reported on the Axe Money give away and sales, and stated some is still available.

The CCC 75th Anniversary Committee has met and is making plans to guarantee this will be a great event.

Upon a motion by Carl Wolf, seconded by Richard Hamilton, Michael Metras, on the second reading by President Leonard, was elected to membership.

Carl Wolf moved and Charles Richard seconded that CCC donate a sample of its Axe Money to the American Numismatic Association and the American Numismatic Society for their museums. The motion was carried.

Exhibits were by Drew Michyeta (British Royal Mint advertising promotions), George Lill III (examples of die mulings and/or unofficial mint products from Bolivia), Tom Nolan (World's Columbian Exposition Isabella quarter, Columbian half dollar, and Lafayette dollar), Carl Wolf (convention-type badges in various shapes), Harry Flower (currency counterstamped by rubber stamp and for various movements), Chester Poderski (a set of various denomination coins of India), and Charles Ricard (a silver medal of the Freedoms Foundation depicting General Anthony Wayne).

A motion was made by Carl Wolf and seconded by Charles Ricard that we adjourn. The motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Ricard acting for Secretary/Treasurer

JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED

11	Joseph A. Piekarczyk	since 1991
12	Rosalind Ryant	since 1977
15	Pearl Kopicki	prior to 1960
15	Scot Tracy Stern	since 1988
19	David Henkle	since 1986
27	James Simek	since 1973

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

JUNE: Steven Zitowsky on cigarette cards and tokens

JULY: Members describe their other hobbies

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OCTOBER: Harry Flower on Maria Theresa Thalers

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June 1992

David Simpson, Editor

OUR 881ST MEETING:

Time: Wednesday, June 10, 7:30 p.m.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph, Chicago

Speaker: Steven Zitowsky

Topic: Cigarette Cards and Tokens

GUEST EDITORIAL

Having given our upcoming 75th anniversary/1000th meeting anniversary some thought, I have some ideas for the club to consider.

First, initiate a "75-25 Campaign," which stands for the 75 years of our past and the 25 years remaining to our first century. The emphasis to the year's activities would center around young numismatists, who will be our club's leaders for our centennial celebration. I would suggest two seminars. One in the spring, mainly to draw interest and entice participation. At this seminar, hand out subjects for either numismatic papers and/or numismatic exhibits. In the fall, the second seminar would center around the young numismatist's completed projects. Then in 1994 our grand banquet could include proper awards to the best participating young numismatists.

This might also be a good opportunity to do another project that I have thought about before. I would like to see the club put out a calendar, each month dedicated to a volunteer member, with that member's favorite coin photographed, and the member telling the story about it.

I offer these ideas as a springboard for continued thought for things for the club to consider.

Andrew E. Michyeta, III

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RICARD ILL

President Leonard has reported that immediate past president Charles Ricard has recently been hospitalized, and will miss the June meeting. We wish you a speedy recovery, Charlie!

MINUTES OF THE 880TH MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

Our meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m. by President Bob Leonard. One minute of silence was held for a member who passed away, Mr. Bebee. Attendance was 22 with two guests, Saul Needleman and Mark Wieclaw. Brian Stubbs was named as the new secretary/treasurer. An audit committee was formed including Brian Stubbs, Richard Hamilton, and Andrew Michyeta. Bob Leonard reported three hardcover books sold on a recent trip to Newark, NJ; this leaves 16 copies to sell. Carl Wolf forwarded #001 of axe money to the club archives. Mr. Wolf asked members to purchase extra copies of axe money to sell to friends at coin shows or other club meetings. An auction was held of left-over primitive money items with all proceeds going to the Chicago Coin Club. John and Nancy Wilson asked the club for a supporting letter to the ANA for Milwaukee to host the ANA Convention in the year 2000 or 2001. The membership approved the motion on the floor. Andrew Michyeta presented John Wilson with the reverse die of the transportation token for the ANA 100th Convention. The obverse went into the club's archives. Exhibitors were Robert Leonard (Newark Museum conference data, 1991 ANA passport autographed by French mint director), Richard Hamilton (Union Pacific stock certificates and other memorabilia), Bob Weinstein (ancient Chinese coin, early dated bracteate and coin from Germany), Carl Wolf (Form magazine article on Carl and primitive money projects), Nancy Wilson (CSNS token, early House of Representatives checks), John Wilson (four countermarked 1967 Anquilla liberty dollars, Saul Needleman (seven tokens produced by York Museum), David Simpson (four Queen Anne Scottish coins, Iowa currency reproductions).

Respectfully submitted by Brian Stubbs, secretary/treasurer

JULY BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED

4	Chester Poderski	Since before 1960
13	Gerald Anaszewicz	Since 1981
19	Richard Hamilton	Since 1986
27	David Simpson	Since 1980

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

JULY: Members describe their other hobbies

AUGUST: Robert Weinstein, Jr., on early European dated coinage

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July 1992

OUR 882ND MEETING:

Time: Wednesday, July 8, 7:30 p.m.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph, Chicago

Speaker: YOU

Topic: Members describe their other hobbies

MESSAGE FOR THE EDITOR: Women and Children Last?

The Chicago Coin Club has a laudable motto: "We Learn by Teaching." Unfortunately, in recent years an important qualifier has, in effect, been added: "If you are a man." Attendance at the regular meetings (i.e. not CICF or the banquet) is almost exclusively an adult male province. In addition, with the exception of some work by Carl Wolf, most CCC members seem to make little effort to numismatically educate non-members and to encourage coin club membership. Even some recent National Coin Weeks have passed almost unnoticed by the club.

Granted, there may not be much we can do to bring more women into the club, given that most coin collectors seem to be male. Also, numismatics tends to be an individual rather than a family hobby; about the best I can expect from my wife is benign indifference. In addition, the CCC has a particular problem since some women (and men for that matter) don't like going downtown. Some prospective junior members may also have a problem getting to our downtown meeting site.

What's wrong with meeting downtown? Depending on where you live and work, it may be inconvenient to get there on a weekday evening. In addition, some people worry about their safety. After all, downtown Chicago is (fortunately?) not the same as downtown Skokie or Wheaton.

Those of us who make it downtown manage to cope, however. Some people car pool in at least one direction, for instance. In addition, there is a general willingness to walk or drive people to their cars or train stations after meetings. Also, some people dine together before traveling together to the meeting (more on that elsewhere in the *Chatter*).

For those of us who don't work downtown, it is a hassle to make the trip. It is, however, an inconvenience well worth undergoing, as we see old friends, make new ones, and share our numismatic learning in a truly unique club. Why not invite someone—even a woman or child—downtown to give it a try? They might get hooked.

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MINUTES OF THE 881ST MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

The meeting was opened at 7:30 by Andrew Michyeta, who filled in for Bob Leonard.

In old business, Brian Stubbs noted that the first readings for new members Saul Needleman and Mark Wieclaw should have been in the May *Chatter*.

In new business, Richard Hamilton presented a motion for the Chicago Coin Club to become a benefactor for the ANA's 101st Convention in Orlando, FL. Harry Boosel seconded the motion and it passed by a majority. Andrew Michyeta asked club members to consider plans for our 75th anniversary and 1000th meeting. He feels the emphasis should be on attracting young numismatists. Carl Wolf noted that the Boy Scouts offer badges in coin collecting. With this in mind he feels the club should seek out YNs and support local Boy Scout organizations. Again under new business, a motion was introduced to authorize Andrew Michyeta to look into purchasing a three-year supply of speaker's medals. Harry X Boosel introduced the motion and Richard Hamilton seconded the motion. It passed on the floor with a majority.

Our speaker for the evening was Steven Zitowsky, and his subject was cartophily, or collecting cigarette cards. Early cards were produced by the Duke Tobacco Co. in North Carolina. Eight hundred different series were printed with various themes. One series usually consisted of 25-30 cards. In 1901, the British Imperial Tobacco Co. of the U.K. and Northern Ireland, Ltd., had various labels under its control. By the end of World War I cigarette cards died out in the U.S. In the 1920s cartophily catalogs were produced and collecting picked up. British cards printed social themes and many depicted coins. Over 10,000 series alone show war decorations and medals. Card stock included silk, satin, canvas, and even leather. Steve was presented with a speaker's medal by Andrew Michyeta.

Brian Stubbs announced that DUES FOR 1992 ARE NOW DUE.

Exhibitors were Richard Hamilton (three sets of stock certificates), Carl Wolf (two medals), Harry X Boosel (Swedish 10 ore banknote and ceramic ashtray depicting the note), Harry Flower (ancient Roman coin and copy), Bob Weinstein (copy of Roman denarius of Emperor Tiberius from southern India), and Brian Stubbs (Columbus Exposition stamp and 100th ANA Convention souvenir card).

Meeting closed at 9:00.

Respectfully submitted by Brian Stubbs, secretary/treasurer



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OUR 883RD MEETING

Time: Wednesday, August 12, 7:30 p.m.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph, Chicago

Speaker: Robert Weinstein, Jr.

Topic: Early European dated coinage

MESSAGE FOR THE EDITOR:

There was some talk at the last meeting about having old-time members interviewed, so they can share their memories of the club and collecting with the rest of us. I agree that this is a great idea. Perhaps a program of interviews would make a suitable project during the CCC's 75th anniversary year. The interviews could be included in the Chatter, and/or put together in a separate publication.

Perhaps we can have a meeting or two devoted to old timers speaking about the earlier years of the CCC. Those who couldn't make the meeting could perhaps submit a letter to be read.

But, why wait? It may be 1994 before anything gets going. If you have been a CCC member for a number of years, and have anything to share, why not send me a letter for publication in the Chatter? You would be addressing a receptive audience (possibly the *only* receptive audience you will find for your CCC memories!). I look forward to hearing from you.

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MINUTES OF THE 882ND MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Robert Leonard. Carl Wolf asked if any members would be willing to take pieces of axe money to sell at the ANA convention in Orlando. Under old business: the audit committee members agreed to set a date to audit the

club's books. The 1000th meeting committee will get together in the near future to discuss ideas for this landmark occasion.

The club ordered a cassette from the ANA containing the first six radio programs on numismatics. The ANA education director, James Taylor, asked if clubs would encourage radio stations to carry this program. To cover costs of the Promo Tape \$5.50 is required. A motion was introduced on the floor to pay the amount requested. The motion was seconded and passed by a majority.

Frank Zaylik suggested that some members be taped for the program. He would especially like to hear from older members who have lots of valuable information from previous years. Chester Poderski noted that it's a matter of what the member knows. Bob Leonard and a majority of members in attendance think it's a good idea to tape members. Carl Wolf thinks that the old timers should get their ideas together for an interview.

Fred White would like members to come up with questions of an educational nature for a lottery that he is developing, to raise money for a coin museum.

July was the month for members to talk about their other hobbies and interests. Exhibitors were Richard Hamilton (railroad timetables), Fred White (corporate papers from rare coin museum and library, and first day numismatic stamp), Saul Needleman (two anti-George III tokens and one pro-George III token, paper weight catalogs), Robert Leonard (stamp commemorating coin collecting and two coins commemorating stamp collecting, stone age implements), Frank Zaylik (U.S. postal stamps), Charles Ricard (a collection of geologic fossils found in New York state and Ohio covering geologic time and formations), Carl Wolf (ancestral photos and records), and Harry Flower (federal prescription blank for whiskey, alcohol tax stamps, and U.S. Treasury order form for narcotics).

Respectfully submitted by Brian Stubbs, secretary/treasurer

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED

2	John Wilson	Since 1984
6	Peter Jorstad	Since 1985
7	James M. McMenamin	Since 1975
9	William Pettit	Since 1967
11	Miss Leah Klein	Since 1969
16	Richard Sheppard	Since 1977
18	Michael Dolnick	Since 1952
24	Michael Pasha	Since 1979

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

SEPTEMBER: Byron Jones on the U. S. coin market

OCTOBER: Harry Flower on Maria Theresa Thalers

NOVEMBER: Auction

DECEMBER: Awards banquet



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OUR 885TH MEETING:

Time: Wednesday, October 14, 7:30 p.m.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph, Chicago

Speaker: Harry Flower

Topic: The Maria Theresa Thaler

BRING A GUEST!

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

It will shortly be election time in the country. While the U.S. presidential candidates have made the campaign a distressing exercise, it doesn't have to be that way. I think it's time the CCC showed Clinton, Bush, and Perot the way it should be done. Let's have no dirty politics in the campaign for such valued positions as second vice president and director! In fact, past CCC elections teach us that we may not even have to contend with campaigns or contested elections at all if enough candidates are not found.

More seriously, it is time for officers to be selected for the new year. The leadership of the club, particularly the president, is important. In thinking back over the last few CCC presidents, I realize each has placed his or her imprint on the club, and has made decisions that have affected the club's direction for better or worse. While you may not have to listen to campaign speeches at the CCC, it would be wise to think seriously about how prospective officers may change the direction of the club, or fulfill their duties.

In addition, I might add, it's always nice to have more than one person to choose from. If you or a member you know are interested in an officer position, don't be shy! We want to hear from you, for the good of the club.

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MINUTES OF THE 884TH MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

Meeting called to order at 7:35 by President Robert Leonard. The minutes of the August meeting should be corrected to read "purchase 100 speaker's medals and Cabeen award medals." Also, where the minutes read "50 bronze medals for merit," the words "for merit" are to be deleted.

A motion was introduced by Andrew Michyeta to let the club hold its May 1993 meeting in conjunction with the Central States Numismatic Society Convention May 21, 22, and 23, in suburban Chicago. The motion was approved. Bill Swoger (not present) requested that the club back legislation he would like to introduce to the U.S. Congress. In short, he would like the U.S. Mint to issue a commemorative coin for its 200th anniversary. There was a motion introduced by the membership to refer this issue to committee. Andrew Michyeta was elected to head that committee.

The speaker for our December banquet will be Bill Swoger. His subject will be the Brasher Doubloon. Next month Harry Flower will talk about Maria Theresa and in November we will have our benefit auction.

Our speaker for the evening was Bryon Jones. He presented a slide program on modern rarities. Bryon discussed 1922 cents, 1955 double die varieties, the 1972 double die, and the 1974 and 1956. He also covered the 1989 no VDB cent. Also discussed were 1971S nickels, 1968P dimes, and the 1989 quarter in which the mint mark was filled in. He talked about the 1982 Kennedy half with the F.G. designer initials filled in, and the 1979S type 2 and type 1 Anthony dollars.

President Leonard discussed the ANA show in Orlando. The attendance was estimated to be 10,000 people. He thought the Numismatic Theatre was excellent. Our president and Fred Schwann were team members in the World Series of Numismatics. We're proud to say our president's team finished third in the finals.

Exhibitors were Richard Hamilton (Mexican coins, notes, bond, and railways stock), Harry Flower (10 buttons made from coins), Carl Wolf (two Columbus 1992 calendar medals), Robert Leonard (ANA souvenirs, Namibia silver ring money, Chinese coins, and Isle of Man ANA commemorative), and Dave Simpson (U.S. 3 cent piece, Guatemala 4 reales, and Indian fanam).

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brian Stubbs, secretary/treasurer

AUCTION CATALOG TO BE ISSUED

November will be the club's auction. If you would like to have something auctioned for your own or the club's benefit, you should make a list and submit it to Brian Stubbs or Dave Simpson at the October meeting. Failing this, please send the information to the club's box by October 24. If we hear from you by then, we should be able to list your submissions in a mini catalog to be mailed with the November *Chatter*. This catalog, hopefully, will peak the interest of people who will want to bid on your submissions.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED

5	Phyllis Johnson	Since 1987
8	Brian Andrew Heil	Since 1981
9	Tom Ryan	Since 1960
11	J. Vincent Swift	Since 1991
14	William Baker	Since 1979
19	Richard Peterson	Since 1962
25	Jeffrey F. Bernberg	Since 1975

WHAT ARE YOUR DINNER PLANS?

For those CCC members who like to get together for supper prior to the meeting, Carl Wolf has suggested the Verros Restaurant, 194 W. Randolph, at Wells Street. This is located quite near the Bismarck Hotel. Remember, too, that on-street parking is free after 6:00 p.m. (but read the signs to be sure!).

TWICE AS NICE

Rumor has it that member James M. McMenamin is now the proud father of twins! Following on the heels of member Joseph O'Connor's doubly blessed event, this seems to indicate a rapid increase in the potential coin-collecting population. Good going, gentlemen.

CALENDAR UPDATE

We are scheduled to hold our regular May meeting in conjunction with the Central States Numismatic Society's Convention May 21-23, in Rosemont, IL. Our meeting is set for 1:00 p.m. on May 22, which is a Saturday.

COMPUTER QUESTIONNAIRE

The ANA is conducting a survey on the use of computers by coin clubs and club members. If you use a computer, you might want to complete the enclosed survey, and either return it to Dave Simpson at the October meeting, or mail it to the club's P.O. box before the meeting.

Do you have a computer at home and use it at least once a month? _____

Do you have a modem with the computer? _____

Do you subscribe to an on-line service, such as CompuServe _____, Genie _____, Prodigy _____, or other _____?

If you subscribe: do you read any bulletin boards on a regular basis _____, send notes to bulletin boards occasionally _____, send personal notes (E-mail) to other individuals occasionally _____, download software from the service to the machine _____?

What other numismatic functions do you use your computer for: coin inventory _____, correspondence _____, maintaining a want list or a sell list _____, other _____?

If the ANA were to participate with an on-line service so members had direct contact with Colorado Springs, which functions would you most likely use: reserve library books and material _____, obtain membership information _____, obtain convention information _____, obtain ideas for club programs _____, participate in a correspondence course electronically _____, check on insurance plans offered through ANA _____, let the Board of Governors know what you think _____, other _____?

If the ANA established a special bulletin board just for ANA members as part of an on-line service, which activities would you most prefer: just browsing now and then to see what folks are discussing _____, finding a topic where you could exchange information about your specialty _____, or having the opportunity to chat electronically with some of the experts in numismatics you've always heard about _____?

If some or all of these were available from the ANA through an on-line service, would you participate by joining the ANA as a individual members (\$26 a year) and paying the monthly on-line service fee (\$5 to \$15 a month)?

Do you have suggestions or ideas on using computers for coin clubs or members? If so, please include them below:



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OUR 886TH MEETING:

Date: Wednesday, November 11 (Veterans Day), 7:30 p.m.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph, Chicago

Program: Club Auction

BRING YOUR WALLET!

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

This month sees our member-benefit auction, which has become a tradition the last few years. While I think the auction can generally be rated a success, I think we should look at another club to see what they are doing. Perhaps we can learn some ways to improve our own auction.

The Hillside Coin Club, of which I am a founding member, has an annual auction just as we do. However, it is entirely for club benefit. Members donate items to be auctioned with all proceeds to go to the club. The auction was originally held annually in November. However, too many items were donated last year, so this year the auction is the main program in October and November. I personally think that is too much time devoted to an activity of marginal numismatic educational benefit. However, most of the membership thinks, quite rightly, that the auction is fun. Many people go to the auction with the intention of spending a certain amount of money on anything that catches their fancy, and they have a good time bidding against their friends. On the other hand, the more serious bidder can pick up some real numismatic and non-numismatic bargains. Virtually everything sells, as there are no minimums.

Auction lots tend to be numismatic, but don't have to be. Bottles of booze, leather goods, knick-knacks, jewelry, and about anything else may be on the block. I have donated some home-made beer in the past, which has met with a number of jokes about "paint remover."

Funds raised for the club are in excess of \$400 annually. What happens to the money raised? Generally, it is used up every year rather than being squirreled away. In the past funds have been used to subsidize the December banquet for all members (but not guests) and to pay the

whole bill for present officers. Club funds have also been used to purchase a selection of books for the Hillside Public Library, where it meets.

Is this sort of approach practical for CCC? Well, it's worth thinking about. It certainly works well for Hillside.

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MINUTES OF THE 885TH MEETING OF THE CHICAGO COIN CLUB

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Robert Leonard. Chester Poderski moved we accept the minutes of the previous meeting, and Richard Hamilton seconded. The motion was approved by a majority.

Our guests for the evening were Edward Maxwell, Patrick Long, Scott Feltgenhauer, and Andy Stark. Membership applications were accepted and first reading given for Scott Feltgenhauer, and Andrew Stark.

The speaker was Harry Flower, and his subject was the Maria Theresa Thaler, which is also known as the fat lady coin. The silver content has always remained the same, .75 ounces of silver. The die was made in 1780; however, the coin was produced 2 years later. The coin was widely used as a trade coin because many came to view it as an honest source of silver. About 23 mints produced the thalers. The coins circulated in many countries around the world, and were even counter-stamped in countries like Brazil, Mozambique, Djibouti, Arabian states, and Madeira. Mr. Flower noted the thalers' wide circulation across North Africa because of the lack of silver mines in North Africa.

The Literary Award Committee will be headed by Saul Needleman. The Give Away Committee will be headed by Carl Wolf. The Nominating Committee will be headed by Dave Simpson, and will include Brian Stubbs and Richard Hamilton. Also, our banquet chairman for this year will be Carl Wolf.

Carl questioned members about the proposed 75th anniversary celebration. Suggestions included the issuance of a calendar, interviewing older members about their experiences, publishing a booklet, a YN program, a large banquet, and a medal. Robert Leonard would like to see the club rewrite and republish the club history. Harry X Boosel would like to see a new bulletin, containing constitution and other relevant club information. Many members indicated an interest in having a fairly major commemoration.

Under old business, Drew Michyeta said that Bill Swoger had been successful in getting Congress to introduce his proposal to have the mint strike a medal for its 200th anniversary.

Exhibitors for the evening were Richard Hamilton (5 stock certificates), Dr. Saul Needleman (Canadian 125th anniversary coins), Harry Flower (Albert Einstein medal), Robert Leonard (Ukrainian coupon currency), Mark Wieclaw (Denver Mint souvenir medal errors and two brockage errors of Constantine the Great), Harry X Boosel (silver proof sets, ANA Convention give-aways), and Dave Simpson (Scottish 60, 40, 20, and 10 shillings, and 4 silver Kennedy halves from a bank).

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brian Stubbs, secretary/treasurer

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND YEARS JOINED

6	Allen H. Meyer	Since 1960
6	Albert F. Ivan	Since before 1960
7	Brian C. Stubbs	Since 1980
9	Howard Eisenberg	Since 1963
11	Philip J. More	Since before 1960
17	Allen E. Schechter	Since 1984
19	Bill Grundy	Since 1980
21	Frank Olenicki	Since 1968
23	Edward Milas	Since 1968
31	Philip J. Carrigan	Since 1989

BANQUET PLANS ANNOUNCED

Carl Wolf, the banquet chairperson, has arranged details of the club's December 9 banquet at the Bismarck Hotel. The entrees are either Chicken Kiev (\$22) or Boston Scrod (\$23). Meals include a garden salad, chef's choice of vegetable and potato, soup of the day, and chocolate mousse. The club will pay for *hors d'oeuvres*. There will be a cash bar with beer, wine, and other drinks. Beer and wine will be priced at \$3.00. See Carl to make your reservations, or send your check to the club address as soon as possible.

CONDOLENCES TO CHARLES RICARD

Many members have remarked about Charlie Ricard uncharacteristically missing several recent meetings. He informs us that he missed the October meeting due to the passing of his mother. The club extends its sympathy to Charlie and his family.

PUBLICATIONS OFFERED TO BENEFIT YOUNG NUMISMATISTS

As announced at the October meeting, we received a letter and publications from Tom Becker of Becker and Kuehnert, dealers in rare coins. They are offering copies of the humorous book, "Confessions of a Coin Dealer" at \$5.00 each, and serious pamphlets (on third-party grading, rare coin auctions, rare coin investment, rare coin dealers, cleaning coins, buying rare coins, starting a rare coin business on a shoestring, and "The Lazy Investor's Guide to the Rare Coin Market") at \$1.00 each. The prices are half list price, and *100 percent of funds will be donated to the ANA's Young Numismatist program*. If interested, contact Bob Leonard by the December meeting, so the club can place an order for you.

AUCTION LISTING

The November meeting will feature a member-benefit auction. This year we have a variety of offerings. Look over the lots below, and be sure to bring your wallet! Payment in cash is preferred.

1. ANA convention exhibitor medal--1
- RH — 2. Monon Route railroad postcards--5 (min. \$3.50)
- RH — 3. Monon Route railroad postcards--5 (min. \$3.50) P
- RH — 4. Lincoln medal for Sylvia Dolnick, Central States Numismatic Society--1
- RH — 5. Reading Company railroad stock certificates--10 (min. \$7.50)
- CLUB — 6. Reading Company railroad stock certificates--10 (min. \$7.50)
- Benefit — 7. Banquet centerpiece from 100th ANA Convention (1991)--1 2 22
- Benefit — 8. Banquet centerpiece from 100th ANA Convention (1991)--1 3 27
- FRANK — 9. Official mint medals of presidents, 3-in. size, was \$840 mint list price--40 (min. \$240)
- Zaleck — 10. U.S. half dollar 1826--1 (min. \$15)
- Zaleck — 11. U.S. half dollar 1854-O--1 (min. \$15)
- CHET — 12. Israel--victory coin, 1 proof, 1 unc., 1967--2 (est. \$22)
- CHET — 13. Chez Pavel tokens, different medals--2 (est. \$6)
- CHET — 14. U.S. 1971 blue and 1972 brown Eisenhower dollars in original packs--2 (est. \$6)
- CHET — 15. U.S. mint sets, 1975 and 1981 in original packs--2 (est. \$10)
- CHET — 16. U.S. proof sets, 1980 and 1981, in original packs--2 (est. \$12)
- CHET — 17. U.S. Mercury dime 1939-D, unc.--1 (est. \$10)
- CHET — 18. U.S. Washington quarter 1948-S, unc.--1 (est. \$4)
19. U.S. Peace dollar 1923, unc.--1 (est. \$8)

BE SURE TO BRING THIS AUCTION LIST TO THE MEETING!

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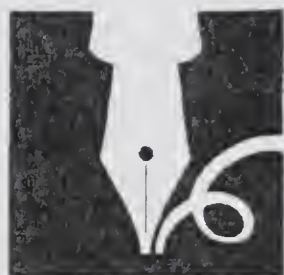
December, 1992

Our 887th Meeting

Date: Wednesday, December 9, 1992, 6:30 pm.

Place: Bismarck Hotel, 171 W. Randolph, Chicago, IL

Program: Annual Banquet



Club Election Upcoming

The nominating committee (Simpson, Hamilton, and Stubbs) has come up with an incomplete slate of officers and directors to head the club for the next 2 years. An effort was made to bring in some new people, as well as some more established faces. The committee's nominations are **Drew Michyeta** for president, **Mark Wieclaw** for second vice president, and **Bob Weinstein, Jr., Richard Hamilton, and Charles Ricard** for director. Robert Leonard would serve a year on the board as the immediate past president. The committee, despite its best efforts, was unable to find a candidate for the first vice president slot.

Officers will be elected at the December meeting. If you wish to nominate someone for the first vice president or any other elected position, you may do so at that time. The constitution stipulates in Article 5, Sections 4 to 6, "Any five members, in good standing, may, at the December meeting, file in writing with the secretary, nominations with consent to serve, for any of the elective offices. Election of officers shall be by written ballot if there is more than one nominee for any one office. All classes of members shall have the right to vote, except junior members. At the December meeting those regularly nominated and receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected. They shall assume office after being installed at the next regular meeting in January."

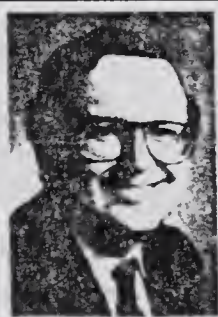
Message from the Editor

Greetings. This month's newsletter features an experiment in style. If you hate it, let me know. Alternatively, if you like it, I would like to hear that.

I have tried to incorporate a few illustrations in the newsletter. This is not easy, since I don't have convenient access to a scanner or a photocopier that reduces or enlarges. However, with or without this new format, I will try to include more pictures. A two column layout more readily accepts illustrations.

Dave Simpson, Editor

Officers



Leonard



Michyeta



Simpson

Our officers are Robert Leonard, president; Andrew Michyeta, first vice president; David Simpson, second vice president and *Chatter* editor; Brian Stubbs, director and secretary-treasurer; Pete Jorstad, director; and Joseph O'Connor, director. Also serving are Joseph Tomasko, archivist, and Richard Hamilton, sergeant at arms.

Banquet

As announced in the last *Chatter*, the CCC banquet will be held Wednesday, December 9 at the Bismarck Hotel. Hors d'ouvers and cash bar will be available beginning at 6:30, and dinner will be at 7:30. There will be a short meeting to elect officers and to present awards. Speaker for the meeting is William Swoger, talking about the Brasher Doubloon.

Reservations must be made prior to the meeting. Please send your reservation and payment to the club

P.O. box or call Carl Wolf at 312/454-9696. The cost is \$22 for Chicken Kiev, or \$23 for Boston Scrod.

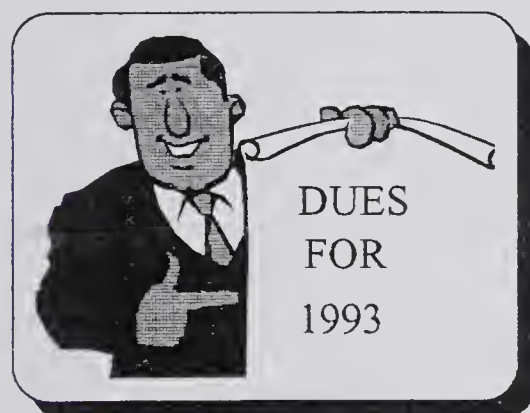
The club will pick up the tab for the hors d'ouvers. The cash bar will have beer, wine, juices, and soft drinks available.

1993 Dues Payable Now

Membership dues for 1993 are payable beginning at the December meeting. Dues for a regular member is \$10; it is \$5 for a junior member and \$1 for an associate member (who does not receive a Chatter).

If paying at the December meeting, you will make the secretary/treasurer's job easier if you pay by check, separate from any check for the banquet.

For those of you paying by mail, an envelope addressed to the CCC is enclosed.



November Meeting Minutes

The 886th meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was called to order by President Robert Leonard at 7:30. A motion was introduced to accept the last month's minutes, and the motion passed with a majority. A motion was also introduced to accept two new members: Scott Feltgenhauser and Andrew Stark. This was the second reading and the membership accepted both.

The speaker at our December meeting will be Bill Swoger. The banquet will start at 6:30 p.m. and a cash bar will be available. The membership has decided after much discussion to have only one meeting in February, at CICF.

Conducting our auction for the evening was Mr. Chester Poderski. The bidding was brisk and many members found great items to add to their collections.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Stubbs
Secretary/Treasurer

Birthdays and Years Joined

Jennie Sochen	January 26	Since 1982
Matthew F. Wojtazek, Sr.	January 27	Since 1948

Chatter Stamps

Some of you may have noticed the odd stamp denominations on the Chatter envelope. In most cases, the total will be over 29 cents. Don't worry, we are not wasting your money! The stamps were purchased from a CCC member at less than face value.

Happy Holidays to All!

The Editor would like to wish one and all a good holiday season, and a happy new year.



